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**RE: AMENDMENT AND PETITION FOR TWO-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME**

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		Application Number	09/813,962		
		Filing Date	March 22, 2001		
		First Named Inventor	Ikuko TACHIBANA et al.		
		Group Art Unit	2182		
AMOUNT ENCLOSED	\$450.00	Examiner Name	FAROOQ, MOHAMMAD O		
<b>FEE CALCULATION (fees effective 12/08/04)</b>					
CLAIMS AS AMENDED	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest Number Previously Paid For	Number Extra	Rate	Calculations
TOTAL CLAIMS	17	- 17 =	0	X \$ 50.00 =	\$ 0.00
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	8	- 8 =	0	X \$ 200.00 =	0.00
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In re the Application of:

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Group Art Unit: 2182

Confirmation No. 2846

Filed: March 22, 2001

Examiner: FAROOQ, MOHAMMAD O

For: REMOTE MAINTENANCE APPARATUS, TERMINAL CONNECTED TO THE  
APPARATUS AND COMPUTER READABLE MEDIUM FOR REALIZING THE  
APPARATUS AND THE TERMINAL

AMENDMENT

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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed August 13, 2004, and having a period for response set to expire on November 13, 2004. A Petition for a two-month extension of time, together with the requisite fee for same, is submitted herewith, thereby extending the period for response to January 13, 2005.

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted. Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested.